

For: Religious Professionals & Lay Leaders



Good Facilitators Needed!

***Beyond Categorical Thinking Training of Facilitators
to take place in fall 2008...***

- ***Do you want to contribute to making Unitarian Universalism a more just and less oppressive place?***
- ***Do you have good people skills? Like to facilitate workshops? Preach?***
- ***Do you see our anti-oppression work as a journey we must take?***
- ***Do you like people and find them worthwhile? (Even when they say stupid things)***

Beyond Categorical Thinking is an encounter for congregations in the ministerial search process around issues of oppression.

In our efforts to promote a fair search process, we know that there are biases that ministers face who are people of color, people who are Latina/o/Hispanic, people with disabilities (both visible and hidden), and people who are bisexual, gay, lesbian, and transgender. These biases have prevented some ministers from finding a congregation and have prevented congregations from finding their best match.

Beyond Categorical Thinking is a weekend commitment where two trained facilitators visit a congregation, meet with the search committee, and present the morning worship service and a workshop to the congregation to provide a space for UU congregations to dialogue about these important issues and examine their biases, both obvious and subtle.

The program has existed since 1989 and continues to make a difference in our congregations.

We need more facilitators, specifically more people who identify as people of color, people who are Latino/Latina/Hispanic, and people with disabilities.

We will be accepting applications for new facilitators in early 2008 and will select up to 20 people. The training of facilitators has been pushed back and will occur in either September or October 2008.

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